

Containerized Self-Service Laundry (C55L)

Overview:

The Containerized Self Service Laundry (CSSL) provides a new laundry capability in the field. Where practical, the CSSL allows soldiers to machine wash and dry their own personal laundry rather than relying on Field Service Companies and their M85 field laundries. The CSSL is particularly applicable in rear areas and during Military Operations Other Than War (MOOTW) scenarios. A prototype system used in Haiti during Operation Uphold Democracy was overwhelmingly popular with soldiers.

The CSSL directly improves quality of life for soldiers deployed in peacekeeping and disaster relief operations, or in rear areas of mature theaters. A total of 40 units are planned for procurement and placement in Operational Project Stock. Production began in 1999.

Description:

The CSSL is a transportable system of integrated commercial equipment in an ISO

container. The CSSL consists of six stacking commercial washer dryer units mounted in an $8\times8\times20$ ISO shipping container (CONEX) with required wiring, lighting and plumbing. A tent is provided to serve as a protected folding and sorting area.

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